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Jane Street Closure

City prepares for permanent closure of Jane Street at the Railroad Crossing December 12, 2011

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Effective Monday, December 12, 2011, Jane Street will be permanently closed to through traffic at the railroad crossing (South of Indiana). The closure of Jane Street was approved by the City Council on April 26, 2011, the contractor is Mamco, Inc. of Riverside, CA. The project is expected to be completed in early February 2012.

This crossing is part of the City's BNSF Quiet Zone project to silence train horns along this rail corridor. Additionally, the closure is also intended to allow Jane Street to remain as a residential street and not a commuter corridor. In early spring 2012 CalTrans will begin the 91 Freeway HOV lane project which includes a new freeway on-ramp at Jane Street and Indiana Avenue increasing the potential for increased commuter traffic on this residential street.

The project will permanently close Jane Street by constructing street cul-de-sacs on both sides of the railroad tracks. The project will also install a six-foot high decorative heavy duty fence on both sides of the railroad tracks within the limits of the street right-of-way to dissuade pedestrians from crossing the tracks. Concurrent with this project, railroad forces will remove the existing crossing panels and the railroad warning equipment from the crossing.